

A BULLET IN HIS HEART.

Gustav Blum, the New York Jeweler, Commits Suicide

A SENSATIONAL MANNER

After Trying for Days to Nerve Himself to the Point of Reluctance to Advertise for Him, but He Concealed His Identity to Escape Creditors—Some Dashing Letters.

New York, July 16.—Two pistol shots, fired in rapid succession, startled the guests in the Grand Union hotel at 11 o'clock yesterday morning.

There was a hurrying up and down the corridors and a knocking at the doors of the rooms. Then one of the guests, whose room adjoined that of a man known in the hotel as "George Bowen," announced that the shots were in Bowen's room.

The door was burst open, and "Bowen" was found grasping on the floor in front of a dressing case surmounted by a mirror. By the time the proprietor and a crowd of curious persons got to the room, Bowen was dead.

A brief examination showed that a bullet had been shot into his right temple and another into his left breast, just below the heart. Beside the body was a twenty-two calibre revolver.

The suicide registered at the Grand Union on June 24 as "George Bowen." His real name, however, was Gustav Blum, and he was a wholesale jeweler at No. 330 Broadway. He has been in business since last fall, but recently he had tried to carry on large transactions in small capital.

BROODS OUT OF SIGHT.

As his difficulties increased Mr. Blum seemed to be much worried, and on June 15 he disappeared from his home and place of business. It seems that he went on that day to the Hotel Royal, and went from that hotel two days later to the Grand Union.

Meantime his wife was distracted and his friends made vain efforts to find him through the personal columns of the Herald.

George T. Gorman was manager for Mr. Blum at his store at No. 330 Broadway, and he was the first of the dead man's friends to arrive at the hotel.

NO REAL NEED TO FRET.

From Mr. Gorman I learned that Mr. Blum had bought most of his goods in Providence, R. I., and that his troubles were not nearly as grave as he imagined. All were well disposed toward him and only too ready to allow him to make a settlement on extremely easy terms.

When Blum went away he said he was going to Providence. At least that was what he told his wife and eleven-year-old son, who live at Hammononton, N. J. He never got any further away than the Grand Union, however. There he remained quietly in his room most of the time and attracted but little attention.

From letters which he left it is evident that Blum has been trying to kill himself ever since he first learned that he must fail in business. In fact, it appears as if the unfortunate man had been trying to screw his courage up to the sticking point, so that he could put himself out of the way, for more than a week.

LETTERS HE LEFT.

These were among the letters found on the bureau of the room where Blum committed suicide:

June 24, 1891.

FRIEND GORMAN:—This is the only way I can see out of my trouble. I have had too many friends in the business. All encouraged me too much, hence my going it so big. When I started I had the promise of any amount of money, but when it came to call for it there were lots of excuses.

I tried yesterday, but no go. I am sorry for some of the people, for they cannot afford it.

Dick & Kolberg's claim will go in first I hope. Some of my insurance papers are in a box in the Pennsylvania Insurance Company on Chestnut street, Philadelphia.

If possible send my body to Hammononton, N. J. What appeared to me to be the start of my life has brought me to the end.

Pardon me for the trouble I am giving you. It is the last request I shall make.

Goodbye.

BLUM.

June 25, 1891.

FRIEND GORMAN:—I wrote the enclosed letter yesterday, not thinking I would be here to write this to-day.

I stayed at the Hotel Royal since Monday, and yesterday came here.

I have to pay the penalty for what wrong I have done.

Do not think harshly of me, but see what you can do to straighten matters out, for old friendship's sake.

BLUM.

P. S.—I registered here under the name of George Bowers.

June 27, 1891.

FRIEND GORMAN:—You see by this I am still living, but God knows how long. I did not expect such an ending. If I should have received the money promised me everything would have been O. K.

But when I found out some time ago that I could not get it I lost all my nerve and got sick.

You remember that then my trouble began. I did most everything to rally, but it was no use.

Please don't think too hard of me, but do all you can for my poor wife and boy.

I see in the Herald to-day that the sheriff has possession of the store. You may know how I feel.

BLUM.

Another letter was addressed to a Mr. Harris, a book-keeper at Mr. Blum's store, and contained some explicit directions in regard to certain accounts.

Mr. Blum was dressed in an undershirt and trousers when his body was found. He wore a full brown beard and mustache.

Speaking of the causes which led Mr. Blum to kill himself, Mr. Gorman said: "Blum went in a little too deep, and when he found he could not meet his obligations when they became due he went all to pieces."

He was so utterly broken up over his failure that when he said he was going to Providence I was suspicious, and later on when I found that he had not gone there at all I put detectives on his track and began inserting personal ads in the Herald.

WELL KNOWN MAN.

Mr. Blum was well known in the jewelry trade, and also well liked. He was thirty-five years of age. When in town he lived at the Metropolitan Hotel.

J. N. Schwartz & Co., of No. 825 Market street, Philadelphia.

Mrs. Blum, when informed of her husband's death yesterday afternoon, was prostrated. She has been distracted for weeks past, as she has been in the habit of hearing from her husband every day since the date of her marriage.

Coroner Schultze went to the hotel and gave a permit for the removal of the body to an undertaker's rooms. The room where Mr. Blum shot himself was the same in which Charles Behrends and the young woman committed suicide last spring.

THE NATION'S PAUPERS.

The Census Shows an Actual Decrease Since 1880.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 16.—The census office has issued a bulletin on the subject of paupers in almshouses in 1890, which shows a total of 73,045, as against 66,203 in 1880. These are divided according to sex and color as follows: Number of males, white, 37,487; number of males, colored, 3,354; number of females, white, 28,191; number of females, colored, 3,113.

In the number of colored persons given above are included 16 male and 20 female Indians, and 12 male and one female Chinese.

The ratio of alms house paupers to the total population was 1 to 178. The present ratio is 1 to 837. This is a very marked relative decrease. The alms house system is not keeping pace with the growth of the population at large. The decline in the ratio is due to the very much smaller number of paupers cared for in alms houses in the North Atlantic division, where there has been not only a relative, but an absolute decrease in the number.

In respect to the nativity, not including the colored paupers, who may all be supposed to be natives except the thirteen Chinese, of the 66,578 white paupers, 36,656 are native born, 27,048 foreign born, and the place of birth of 2,274 is unknown. Among the number of paupers in alms houses reported in states are the following: New York, 10,722; Pennsylvania, 8,653; Ohio, 7,490; Illinois, 5,395; West Virginia, 783; Virginia, 2,193; Maryland, 1,569.

SERIES OF ACCIDENTS

By Which Five Persons Lose Their Lives at Rankin, Pa.

PITTSBURGH, July 16.—A series of accidents happened at Rankin Station, near Braddock, Pa., yesterday and last night, whereby five persons living in the same house were either killed or fatally injured. Yesterday morning David Bell, aged twenty-nine years, employed at the Carrie Furnace, and a boarder at the house of Charles McGrattins, left for his work. He did not return for supper, and at 7 o'clock last evening his naked body was found floating in the Monongahela river. He had been drinking hard of late and it is not known whether he was accidentally drowned while swimming or committed suicide.

Two hours later a lamp exploded in McGrattins's dwelling, and two of his children, Robert and Charles, aged seven and ten years, respectively, who were sleeping at the time, were burned up with the house.

This morning about daylight, Harry Rowe and Peter Kneel, who boarded with the McGrattins, went to the ruins to look for some of their effects. While searching in the debris a brick chimney fell on them, almost instantly killing Rowe and fatally injuring Kneel. The men were about thirty years of age and single.

Dr. Walter Ousted.

HARRISBURG, Pa., July 16.—Judge Simonon to-day returned a decision in the case of the Commonwealth against Dr. Walter, Superintendent of Public Instruction, who is contesting the power of Governor Pattison to remove him from office. The Senate having refused to confirm the governor's appointee. The court awards a judgment of ouster against Dr. Walter, but gives the usual time in which exceptions may be filed. The case, it is understood, will be appealed to the supreme court, in which event a final opinion will hardly be reached before next May. Judge Simonon holds that a person rejected by the Senate cannot be appointed, and this will also bar Dr. Snyder, the governor's appointee.

Chicago Pork Men Not Afraid.

CHICAGO, July 16.—The leading pork packers here scout the idea that companies in Russia will be able to oust the American hog from foreign markets. They say that the plant it is proposed to erect at Moscow at a cost of \$150,000 would be utterly incapable of competing with Chicago packers, because that sum would not furnish facilities for economical work. Aside from that they say there are not enough hogs raised in Russia to keep one Chicago house running a month.

Won't Speak of Dead Men.

HARRISBURG, Pa., July 16.—When Auditor McCann was seen this morning relative to the statement that he had shared with the Philadelphia defaulting treasurer, Bardsley, rebates on account of State advertising, he denied with emphasis that he had ever received any money. He stated further that he did not want to say anything about men who were dead, evidently meaning Captain Graffler, former clerk in the department.

The Claims Against the Howells.

ATLANTA, Ga., July 16.—The lawyers are receiving numerous claims against the Howells. One firm received yesterday over \$400,000 in claims against them by telegraph. These claims are mostly "accommodation paper." C. H. Blount, a retail lumber dealer of this city, who formerly worked for the Howells, has \$50,000 of this kind of paper outstanding and last night instituted attachment proceedings. Blount estimates the outstanding "accommodation paper" at from one to one and a half million dollars.

B. & O. Earnings for June.

BALTIMORE, Md., July 16.—The Baltimore & Ohio earnings and expenses for June, 1891, were: Earnings, \$1,971,550; increase \$55,161; expenses \$1,448,115; decrease \$25,632; net \$523,435, increase \$80,118.

Have used Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil for croup and colds, and declare it a positive cure. Contributed by William Kay, 570 Plymouth Ave., Buffalo, N. Y.

Piles! Piles! Itching Piles.

Symptoms: Moisture, intense itching and stinging; most at night; worse by scratching. If allowed to continue tumors form, which often bleed and ulcerate, becoming very sore. SWAYNE'S OINTMENT stops the itching and bleeding, heals ulceration and in most cases removes the tumors. It is druggists or by mail for 50 cents. Dr. Swayne & Son, Philadelphia.

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THE PENSION QUESTION.

General Baum Will Clear Up the Original Cases Without Delay.

CHICAGO, July 16.—A local news bureau quotes Pension Commissioner Baum as talking in this wise to the local pension agent at Chicago: Affairs have been going altogether too slowly in the Pension Department, and I am going to hurry through and dump 350,000 original cases upon the various pension agencies of the country before the year is out. There is no sense in letting these cases hang on and I see no reason why, with the big force of clerks at my command, we should not dispose of these cases at once. Then, when they are disposed of, I can get rid of a lot of those clerks we have there; perhaps we can do the work with half the force after we dispose of the original cases."

General Baum was quite enthusiastic over his new scheme and said he had already given orders in accordance with his plan.

West Virginia Pensions.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 16.—West Virginia pensions: Original—Wallace B. Phillips, John L. Smith, John Van-nort, George Roth, Samuel Bartram. Additional—Joseph G. Ross. Original—Mary L. Roop.

No Signs of Trouble.

HARRISBURG, Pa., July 16.—The situation at Steelton to-day on the amalgamated scale dispute is unchanged. The works of the Pennsylvania Steel Company are running as usual, and there is no indication of immediate trouble.

Chief Inspector Appointed.

WASHINGTON, July 16.—The postmaster general has appointed Marvin D. Wheeler, of New York, to be chief post-office inspector in place of Major Estes G. Rathbone, appointed fourth assistant postmaster general.

Jay Gould Not Ill.

NEW YORK, July 16.—The statement that Mr. Jay Gould is sick was denied by Mr. George Gould to-day, who said that although his father was not at his office, his absence was not due to illness.

Hardware Men Assign.

TRINIDAD, Col., July 16.—The hardware and agricultural firm of W. E. Howett & Co. assigned to-day in favor of their creditors. Estimates of liabilities are \$50,000; assets not over \$30,000.

BELLAIRE.

All Sorts of Local News and Gossip from the Glass City.

Below are the officers of the new Republican League Club organized Wednesday night: President, C. L. Poorman; Secretary, J. W. Kirkpatrick; Treasurer, W. N. Trol; Board of Managers—First ward, F. J. Ruth; Second ward, W. C. Cochran; Third ward, H. C. Kemple; Fourth ward, W. D. Jones; Fifth ward, G. R. Leasure. The meeting nights are to be the first and third Thursdays of each month. The membership committees are: First ward, Frank Mason and J. P. Lowmer; Second ward, Charles Blakeney and John Hoffman; Third ward, E. C. Morris and O. P. Mason; Fourth ward, C. C. Marsh and Frank Litten; Fifth ward, W. C. Ayres and George Harper.

Charles McCann, who died at Monongahela City, Pa., Wednesday, was a brother-in-law of Mrs. McCann of the Fourth ward. His sudden death resulted from blood poisoning, he having broken his ankle several days previous.

Conductor Baker's seven-year-old son Roy was shot in the face by a playmate who was fooling with an old pistol near their Woodfield home, this week. It is thought the boy will recover, although the ball cannot be found.

A meeting of the school board is to be held to-night to accept the plans and specifications for the new school on Grand Hill. An old frame building owned by the city is to be remodeled.

A special train bearing Superintendent Loree, assistant John McKim and Roadmaster W. H. Scriven, of the C. & P. railroad, was here yesterday on a tour of inspection.

Quite a crowd of colored folks boarded the Liberty here yesterday morning early to join the A. M. E. Sunday School brethren at Wheeling for the Brown's Island picnic.

J. E. Moorehouse and several of the Jr. O. U. A. M. went down to Dillie's Bottom yesterday afternoon and instituted a new lodge there last night.

Joe, a little son of Ed. Smith, fell from the stone steps on Union street yesterday and cut a gash in his face that required several stitches to close.

Morris, a son of S. Luchs, of this city, was seriously burned by an explosion of alcohol at his home at Marietta this week.

George Romick, C. & P. yardmaster, mashed the great toe on his right foot by letting a railroad tie fall on it.

Next Tuesday evening, Mr. Eugene McCann and Miss Ora Ogle are to be married at the bride's home.

Editor D. H. Milligan, of the St. Clairsville Gazette, was down at the convention yesterday.

Miss Mary McKallip, of Beaver, Pa., arrived yesterday and is the guest of Mrs. H. G. Wilson.

Two new horses were purchased this week by Manager Rodewig for the street car line.

Miss Sue Rinker has gone to Silverton, Col., to be gone about a year.

Henry Blum and family have gone to Burr's Mills.

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Soak your clothes in *Pearline* and water—no soap—*Pearline* contains all the soap necessary—two hours, or over night, rinse well, and they will be clean—particulars for this way of washing on every package. *Hot weather* increases the number who use *Pearline*—but in cooler times there's no falling off.

It's easily explained, you can drive women to use *Pearline*—some of them have to be driven to it. But, once they've used it, you can't drive them into giving it up.

Peddlers and some unscrupulous grocers will tell you, "this is as good as" or "the same as *Pearline*." IT'S FALSE—*Pearline* is never peddled, and if your grocer sends you something in place of *Pearline*, do the honest thing—send it back. JAMES PYLE, New York.

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Eleven-roomed brick house with brick stable in rear, northeast corner Eoff and Twenty sixth streets. \$3,500.

BUILDING LOTS.

\$500 for lot on west side of Zane street. \$500 for lot on Elm street, near Florida street. \$1,500 for lot on South Front street. \$1,400 for choice lot on west side of Penn street. The choice of Pleasant Valley lots.

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Cottage, Moundsville Camp Ground. \$500
Cottage, Moundsville Camp Ground. 150
Two lots, Moundsville Camp Ground. 200
No. 3333 Woods street. 5.00
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Eleven roomed house with modern conveniences, in splendid condition, on southeast corner Chapline and Twentieth streets.
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Seven roomed house, desirable location, on Eoff street, \$3,500.
Four roomed house Twenty-fourth and Wood streets, \$1,800.
Lots in North Benwood cheap at \$450 to \$550. Each fifty feet front.
Eight roomed double house on Jacob street, between Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth streets, cheap at \$3,500.
Four lots on South Penn street \$1,500
Lots in McChesney, newly laid out, cheap at \$125 to \$275.
Lots in Zane's Orchard and Old Fair Ground additions.
Six roomed house, 2356 Wood street, \$2,300
Six roomed brick house on Chapline street, between Twenty-fifth and Twenty-sixth streets, \$4,200.
Ten roomed house at a bargain on North Main street.
Five roomed house, 2515 Eoff street, \$2,300.
Four roomed house, 190 Eighteenth street, \$1,000.
Four roomed house, 2303 Wood street, \$550.
Six roomed house, ground 100 feet front, on McCulloch street, between Thirty-first and Thirty-second streets, \$3,000.
Nine roomed brick house, 2351 Market street, \$3,500.
Three roomed house, 2410 Wood street, \$1,000.
Half lot on North Main street, 33 by 122 feet, \$2,200.
Half lot on Eoff street, south of Twenty-eighth street, \$1,000.
Half lot on Myerston street, south of Twenty-seventh street, \$500.
Sixteen lots on the north side of Twenty-third street, in the new addition of Flan & Whyte, just laid out.
FOR RENT—Store room on the corner of Sixteenth and Jacob streets, with good cellar to same.

NESBITT & DEVINE, 1739 Market Street.

Real Estate for Sale.

Building lots on west side of North Huron street, Island, at \$20 per foot front.
A fine dwelling property on the west side of Market street, north of Ninth street.
Lot 10x120 feet, southwest corner McCulloch and Thirtieth streets, with four dwelling houses.
No. 2314 Jacob street, three-roomed cottage, lot 10x120 feet, for \$1,000.
10x350 feet in Pleasant Valley, on the National road, for \$1,500, on easy terms.
The business building, No. 1522 Main street, now occupied by J. W. Hunter & Co.'s spice mill.
The Pryor place on National road, near Elm Grove, consisting of about twenty acres, with brick dwelling.
Lot 32x150 feet on the east side of North Front street, Island, \$1,500.
No. 40 Virginia street, Island, 8 rooms and bath room.
No. 1321 Eoff street, opposite the Cathedral.
No. 104 Fifteenth street, 5 rooms.
No. 1265 Fourteenth street, five rooms, attic and laundry.
Lot 25x150 feet north side of Fourteenth street.
Lot 30x120 feet North Huron street, Island.
Nos. 2117 and 2119 Main street, lot 44x120 feet, \$9,000.

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